

# Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to remark filed on 01/23/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1 and 3-18.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some\* c) ☐ None of the:
    1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
    2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
  - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
    - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.

Identifying Indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

## Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

12/01/06  
PATENT EXAMINER

## DETAILED ACTION

### EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Sidney L. Weatherford with registration No.45,602 on 08/30/06. The claims 1, 5, were amendments as provided in the fax copy that submitted to the Examiner on 08/30/06.

### *Allowable Subject Matter*

2. **Claims 1, 3-18**, are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding **claims 1, 5, 12, 14**, the present application teaches a method of accessing an intelligent network (IN) service from any of plurality of dissimilar telecommunications networks, the method comprising

The applicant's present provides IN service services to subscriber from an ANSI-41 network accessing the IN of a GSM network by utilizing an Equal Access function for

providing a subscriber with equal access to a plurality of inter-Exchange Carries (IECs). This service is provided by associating a special CIC code that is associated with an IN service in a particular network. This CIC code is determined from a special PIC category stored in the subscriber's HLR. When the subscriber originates or receives a call requiring the IN service, the special PIC is translated to a special CIC in the MSC/VLR of the IN associated network and the call is routed to an IN-SSP for access to the IN service as specifically mentioned on claims 1, 5, 12, 14.

The closest prior art to the present application such Bright (US Publication 2002/0169883) discloses a method of assigning an intelligent Network from a plurality of different telecom networks. Bright provides a multiple protocol HLR for generating messages according to the two or more network protocols to obtain information requested by the two or more networks the support the protocols. Bright fails to teach IN service utilizing an Equal Access function for assigning a special PIC to the subscriber and storing the PIC in the subscriber's HLR. Further, Bright lacks the special CIC that is a result of the conversion of the special PIC and is used for routing the subscriber to the IN service.

### **Conclusion**

**3. Any responses to this action should be mailed to:**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Naghmeh Mehrpour whose telephone number is 571-272-7913. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00- 6:00.


If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nick Corsaro be reached (571) 272-7876.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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